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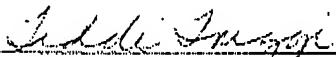
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Appl. No.: 10/648,572; Filing Date: August 26, 2003;  
Atty. Dkt. No.: BP 7969-01; Inventors: CESA, Mark., et al.,

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2. Response to Final Rejection w/Affidavit under 37 CFR 1.132 - 6 pages
3. Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 - 8 pages;
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